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SUBJECT: NEXT ROUND OF TOKAI DISCUSSIONS

1. DURING SALZBURG DISCUSSION KURIHARA (STA) AND SCHEINMAN AGREED THAT THE NEXT ROUND OF MEETINGS WOULD BE IN WASHINGTON MAY 23. AT THAT TIME, BOTH DELEGATIONS WOULD STRIVE TO PRESENT CONCRETE PROPOSALS.

2. KURIHARA STRESSED THAT A FAILURE TO HAVE A SATISFACTORY SOLUTION BEFORE JULY 3 WOULD CAUSE THE LDP SERIOUS ELECTORAL TROUBLE. TO THIS EFFECT, UNO WANTS TO COME TO THE UNITED STATES BETWEEN JUNE 13 AND JULY 1 IN ORDER TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT IN PRINCIPLE (SPECIFIC DETAILS TO BE WORKED OUT LATER IF NECESSARY) AND MEET WITH SCHLESINGER ET. AL. FOR OBVIOUS DOMESTIC POLITICAL PURPOSES.

3. PLEASE STRESS TO GOJ CONTACTS THAT US PROPOSALS WILL
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REMAIN WITHIN PRESIDENTIAL PARAMETERS AND THAT IT WILL BE EXTREMELY DIFFICULT TO REACH A SOLUTION TO THIS COMPLEX TECHNICAL AND POLITICAL PROBLEM BEFORE THE UPPER HOUSE ELECTION. WE REMAIN CONCERNED THAT UNO'S PRESENCE MAY RAISE EXPECTATIONS OR INCREASE POSSIBILITIES OF A FORCING OF THE ISSUE BEFORE MUTUALLY SATISFACTORY SOLUTION CAN BE WORKED OUT. PLEASE NOTE ALSO THAT THE US NEGOTIATING TEAM

WILL BE AT THE SAME LEVEL AS PREVIOUSLY--I.E. NYE,
SCHEINMAN.

4. WE PROPOSE TO WAIT UNTIL THE LONDON SUMMIT HAS CON-
CLUDED BEFORE MAKING FINAL ARRANGEMENTS. CHRISTOPHER

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